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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2620
TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 22, 2022
HATHRAS AS SMART CITY**

NO. 2620. SHRI RAJVEER DILER:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to develop Hathras district of Uttar Pradesh, which is a famous industrial city and pilgrimage site since the British region, as modern smart city; and**
- (b) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be finalised?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)**

(a) & (b): Government of India launched the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) on 25 June 2015. 100 Smart Cities have been selected through 4 rounds of competition from January 2016 to June 2018. 10 cities in the State of Uttar Pradesh, i.e. Agra, Aligarh, Bareilly, Jhansi, Kanpur, Lucknow, Moradabad, Prayagraj, Saharanpur & Varanasi, were selected for development as Smart Cities.

There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to add more cities under SCM, including Hathras, as 100 cities proposed to be covered under the Mission have already been selected. However, the 100 Smart Cities can act as lighthouses for other aspiring cities of the country. In order to support other cities in their journey towards becoming Smart Cities, a workbook titled 'Making a City Smart: Lessons from the Smart Cities Mission' has been released by Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs. The workbook encapsulates learnings from on-ground implementation of SCM over the past five years, and can be used by State Governments/Union Territories to handhold its cities through the What, Why and How of making a city 'Smart'. The workbook is available online at: <https://smartnet.niua.org/content/bddf745e-1bc8-4eeb-bb80-376704222623> .
